ALEXANDRIA, Va., June 3 .- The Vir-

ginia State Council of the Ancient Order

William McDermott, of Roanoke, Treas-

urer; Father J. P. O'Reilly, of Sacred

Heart Church, Richmond, Chaplain; and

J. B. Casey, Portsmouth, Sergeant-at-

Arms. All the officers except the president

annual reports were presented and the

session at Newport News.

Knight, of this city.

City Sergt. William H. Smith.

the Police Commissioners to compel them

OLEO CONCEALED IN COFFINS.

eut Dairy Commissioners.

MORE STEEL MILLS SUSPEND.

Company's Plants Closed.

CHICAGO, June 3 .- Three departments

of the Illinois Steel Company's South Chicago plan closed down at 6 o'clock this

morning, throwing 3,500 men out of cm-

ployment for an indefinite time. The de-

partments closed are: Open hearth, em-

CAPTIVE SEA SNAKE'S FAST.

iew York's Strange Reptile Persist-

NEW YORK, June 3.-The green Moray

ently Refuses Food.

at the New York Aquarium, which ap-

proaches a sea serpent in appearance as

Coney Island, is making a record as a

champion faster. In January he began a

fast which lasted fifty-eight days, and he

is now engaged in one which began on

April 4. Human fasters have no chance

The finest codfish, sliced in the most

tempting stripe, has been offered the

green Moray every day since he began this latest fast, but he has steadfastly re-

He doce not refuse water, but continues

a sort of pouch in his mouth while he ex-

tracts the oxygen from it. It then passe out through the gills, and there is no evi

dence that any of it gets into his stomach, It was hinted by an amateur scientist who pretended to have studied these mat-

ters that the green Moray may have dis

overed his Latin name of Lycodontis fu-

nebris and become discouraged. This could

not be proved.

The Moray came from Bermuda last
July, arriving here on the Fourth. He is
seven feet long and has a mouth measur-

ing sixteen inches from corner to corner

Inside it is armed with a sharp row of

antly gulping in and ejecting water, Its

rregular manner of doing this convinces

speciators that the reptile is in a dying condition. Five months ago a physician said it had less than rix hours to live. But

the Moray has gone on living since then in its own way. After the first long fast the

and then began its present abstinence,

with the Moray.

fused to take a morsel.

losely even as any of the types seen off

pounds of oleomargarine.

ST. HELENA'S PRISONERS

by a Correspondent,

The Captive Boer General Silent and Reserved-Spends Most of His Time With His Wife, to Whom He Is Devoted-Commandant Schiel In- alrymen were close on his heels. sincere and a Soldier of Fortune

LONDON, May 26 .- A correspondent who has visited the Boers in St. Helena reports their lot to be very comfortable. Cronje and his wife and three members of his that excited the admiration even of those staff are in Kent Cottage, perched on top he robbed. The man held up two wagons and three of the stages of Yosemite Stage of a hill, just such a cottage as may be seen on the outskirts of many an English village. He says:

"Imagine an unpretentious two-story dwelling with slate roof and yellow washed walls, standing out clearly from a background of green hillside. The window frames and shutters are painted the same shade of green that you may see any day at a Dutch farmhouse in the Paarl district of the Cape Colony. In front runs a veranda, and there is a slightly raised stoep. There is also some pretence at a There is a School of the Cape Colony. The stage overtook the cavalry and bemore cultivated land with bananas and a few other trees.

"The ecene is simplicity itself, but for the bell tent in the right-hand front corner of the garden and the steady tramp of

"On the 'stoep' and beneath the veranda for the best part of the day sits General Cronje, dark of visage, somewhat longbearded, and with hair turning grey. His eyes are deep set, dark and ferretlike, and his demeanor is one of extreme reserve. Piet Cronie can speak English almost as well as any Transvaaler of Dutch extraction, but you may ply him in vain with questions in English. He positively refuses to speak anything but his native taal and even then his replies are little

more than monosyllables.

"He has little to say about anything and is difficult to draw. Of course he feels and is diment to draw. Of course he teels his position. You may see that written large upon his face; but contrary to what so many people think, he appears to be very grateful for any kindness that is shown him and fully appreciates the efforts that are made to secure his comfort, Beyond this he is the sphinx.

"It is a strange character, this of Piet conje. Charges of travible cruelty have been laid at his door, and somehow when you carefully regard his face you feel sure that the man is capable of violating

who are blood relations may emerge from the house and remain for a brief while beneath the veranda, but there is about them the restlessness and impetuosity of

the mem the restressness and impetuosity of the younger Boer when under restraint.

"When, for instance, I was at Kent cottage there came within a hundred and flfty yards, just outside the cordon of sen-tries, two young subalterns with field glasses and snapshot cameras. Of course, they were inquisitive. The general and his wife were screened by the closed end of the veranda, but a younger relative was extremely annoyed. He was a fine, tall, young fellow, in shirt sleeves and the inevitable slouch hat. As he caught sight of the officers he gesticulated violently, flung his arms about, and muttered in Dutch. Then he hurriedly entered the bouse, but only to emerge a minute later,

if anything, more restless than ever.
"Cronje and his wife have acquired the art of sitting still. His attachment to her is very great. Talk to him on any reference to her views and acts. Cronje, the devoted husband, and Cronje of Potchefstroom, of Mafeking, and of Kimber-ley, you come away feeling that the conjunction is incongruous.

"Ouite a different man is Commandant Here you have one who has re-training in European military. There is much of the soldier of fortune about him; but there is much that is superficial and insincere. When I last saw Commandant Schiel he was a prisoner on board Her Majesty's ship Penelope at Simons Town. Today he has recovered from his wound and occupies a tent standing alone and within sight of the house in which Napoleon lived and died. But it is the same Schiel.

a boat approaching the prison ship sent him into an ecstacy of delight, and he ald chatter away with fervor about 'the and you follow their direction to an open window on an upper floor at which sat two window on an upper floor at which sat two girls. Yes, I thought, it is the same Schiel.

Talk to him at Deadwood and there is the same assumption—it is not real—of the old devil-may-care spirit.

The ball the world. The world with his wife to place some new patents in the foreign market. They returned two years later, and it was then that Patrone sent for his brother Peter.

be on the side of the British. But you feel instinctively that if he ever fights again it will be on the side that pays him best. "Oh, the war will not last long," he tells you; 'that is, if one thing happens If you beat the Boers well at Kroonstad it will all be over in three weeks. "Then he will change his tune. The as-

sumed gayety passes away and almost pleadingly he will tell you that he is not at all well treated and that he has made application to be allowed to room the isl-and on parole. Yet all the time this in-sincere creature knows that he has been guilty of more attempts to escape than

any other of the prisoners.

"The Boer prisoners are being well treated. This I know as a fact and as the result of personal enquiries and observa-tion on the spot. But, of course, there will be some objectors. Schiel, for exam-ple, declares that the British prisoners at Pretoria are permitted to go out pic-nicking and so forth; and then he will make comparisons. But of this state-ment we have no confirmation. Other prisoners, however, speak well of their treatment and I do know as a fact that all of them are better fed and get more fresh meat than their

all of them are better fed and get more fresh meat than their guards.

"Unfortunately sickness had broken out among the Boer prisoners before they left the Cape. The sick, however, are ex-tremely well cared for. As I write there are twenty in the hospital out of the 500 on shore, and two have died. These were accorded military honors and were buried over the bills just beyond Cronje's new

Attempt at Wholesale Poisoning. DANBURY, Conn., June 3.-What was

apparently an attempt upon the lives of the family of Eben Scribner, a farmer living at Cannon Station, by the poisoning of the flour supply, was discovered yesterday entire family became seriously Physicians who were called found symptoms of poisoning. The trouble was traced to freshly-made bread. Some of the flour frem which the bread was made was fed to C log and the snimal died. The Scribners are not aware of an enemy, at

THE YOSEMITE HIGHWAYMAN.

Who Were Robbed Admire th Bandit's Courage.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 3.-L. ter details The Character of Cronje Described of the robbery of the Yosemite stages yesterday, near Raymond, show that the wark was done by a lone highwayman, the same man who robbed two stages last month of big Gal. Fiat Road. He actually rabbe! three stages, two wagons, and took carbines from two cavalrymen and then escaped, though a troop of sixty-leven cav-

It is the holdest work done since the days of the famous Black Bart, who also preferred to do stage robbery without a partner.

The bandit was armed with a magazine rifle, and he did his work with a coolness and Turnpike Company, carrying twenty-seven men and five women, and then with-out firing a shot, stood off a squad of United States regular cavalry and escaped into the woods.

The first stage carried nine stone-cut-ters, and they had no money. The second stage left Raymond at 7 o'clock, preceded by a troop of United States cavalry on their way into Yosemite. In this stage were the Misses Atherton of England, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Drake of St. Paul, Mr. and

flower garden, but it is sadly neglected.

The garden is enclosed by a black wooden paling, and still farther in front is a little road turns sharply to the right and runs straight and runs. straight across a little sand flat. As the stage swung slowly around the passengers saw the first stage drawn out to the left of the road, with two cavalry horses tied to the wheels. The passengers were lying underneath a tree and on the bank was a of the garden and the steady tramp of khaki-clad scutries east, west, north, and south.

solitary figure with a cocked rifle grasped in blackened hands, with a mask made of a blue cotton handkerchief covering the whole face except pale blue eyes encircled with black

"Black Kid," as he is now known, has a peculiarly effective gesture with his rifle, so persuasive that his orders are immediately and carefully obeyed. Before the passengers realized that it was not a Joke the stage was pulled up and the men were clambering down. The lone high-wayman's manner was quiet and easy, his orders came clear and cool from behind the

"Climb down there; hurry up; no exceptions; line up there; now, you there, pass the hat."

The dignified gentleman indicated by a gesture with the rifle walked bareheaded up and down the line and collected. Then e was ordered to chip in himself,
"Climb in," was the next order. The

hat was accepted, emptied, and returned to the owner.

The sound of voices and hoofbeats inter-

rupted the robber, but it turned out to be a load of Chinese. These he went through in quick order. The express wagon with mail and the express box arrived next and the driver was compelled to put down the box and his lunch.

the terms of an armistice or firing on the women and children's laager. Yet there are some redeeming features, as, for example, when the fire of patriotism lights his eye, and more particularly in the homage paid to his wife.

"All day long Mrs. Cronje, in rusty black dress and black Boer 'kappie,' is the defeated general's close companion. Others who are blood relations may emerge from

AN INVENTOR INSANE.

Mind Disordered by Building Castles

in the Air. NEW YORK, June 3.-His mind disordered by building air castles over fabulous contrivances which would create endless energy and amass for him a fortune, Michael Patrone, a young inventor, who came here from Italy a few years ago to interest the American Government in patented artillery devices, for which Continued at the content of the c Michael Patrone, a young inventor, who ented artillery devices, for which Centinental gunmakers were paying royalties, fell a prey to strange delusions, and has been adjudged insane and committed to the State Insane Asylum at Matteawan,

Believing that his brother, whom he brought from Italy recently to his home in Mount Vernon, was plotting to deprive him of his patent rights, he vowed he would kill him. He filled his revolver with cartridges carrying bullets covered that if he didn't hit his brother in a vital spot the bullets would poison him. While lying in wait for his brother his

pistol in his hand, his own shadow caught his eye, and, believing that the shadow was his brother's form, he fired point blank. The bullet took off one of his fin-gers. He thought the poisoned bullet would kill him, but it didn't. The inventor was locked up and his brother ap-peared against him in court. Patrone was

held for the grand jury.

This episode caused the wife and brother to ask that an examination be made as to the deluded inventor's sanity. He was adjudged insane. Much sympathy is ex-pressed for Mrs. Patrone. She says that her husband has been receiving royalties on 'At Simons Town the sight of ladies in foreign patents, and she will take steps to have the royaltles paid to her.
One of Patrone's inventions is a gun

that, while pointing in one direction, dear ladies. Almost as soon as I stepped ashore at St. Helena there was placed in my hands a photograph of Schiel being driven along the main street on his way to beadwood Camp. His eyes were raised, and you follow their direction, to shoots in another. Mrs. Patrone says that her husband has letters from leading American artillery officers regarding this patent. His mind was deranged, she believes, by his devotion to the development of a motor which, he said, "would surprise

SMALLPOX IN THE STEERAGE.

Vessel With Nearly Two Thousan Passengers in Quarantine. NEW YORK, June 3 .- Owing to the dis

covery of a case of smallpox among her steerage passengers, the steamship Pretoria, of the Hamburg-American Line, has been detained in Quarantine for disinfection. The vessel, which comes from Ham-burg, had 1,808 passengers in her steerage quarters. One of these, G. Wolff, a Russian, twenty-seven years old, developed smallpox on May 28. The patient was iso-lated in the ship's hospital and was yesterday transferred to the Riverside Hos-The 358 steerage passengers of the Ger-

man steamship Albano, who had been de-tained on Hoffman Island since May 23, were discharged yesterday and sent to the

CAVALRY FOR M'ARTHUR.

Philippines. New plans are to be employed by the

War Department to bring about the suppression of the rebellion in the Philippines. Several regiments of cavalry are to be sent to Manila during the summer, and as soon as the rainy season is at an end active operations by bodies of mounted troops are to be made against the insur-

Major General MacArthur has informed the Department that he believes excellent results can be obtained from cavalry, and that the animals now readily subsist on the country and the supplies which they carry with them in the campaigns. Before finally taking action, Secretary Root says that he will consul with General Otis and

Brigadier General Schwan, There are two animal transports now in the Philippines, which will return to San Francisco in July, and one transport fitted up for the transportation of animals is now at San Francisco. It is expected that t transport cavalry to Manila additional ves sels will have to be chartered.

MICHIGAN'S BIG MINE FIRE NEWS FROM ALEXANDRIA.

Extent of Damage at the Calumet and Hecla Unknown.

mpossible to Predict How Long the Blaze Will Burn-The Fourth Conflagration Since 1884, All of Them Brenking Out on Sunday-The Effect on the Company's Stock. and vice president, were re-elected. The

HOUGHTON, Mich., June 3.- The sensation of the past week in the Lake Superior copper district and the mining circles generally was the fire which broke out Sunday in the Calument and Hecla mine. It was discovered by the underground watchman in No. 2 Hecla shaft at the twentieth level, 2,000 feet below surface, shortly before 7 p. m. A crew of tweive men was immediately sent underground to close the fire doors, which are provided between each of the shafts on the various connecting drifts, but the men were overcome by the large volume of gas from the burning wood before this work was finished and one pipeman in the party, William McRae, died shortly after being brought to the surface and five others were badly overcome and taken to the com-

pany's hospital. A specially devised oxygen apparatus for resuscitating workmen overcome by gas or powder smoke was used with great success, being brought by the physicians to the mouth of the shaft and applied as soon as the rescued miners reached surface again. This probably saved the lives of two of the five men totally overcome.

As a result of the failure to close all the fire doors connecting No. 2 Hecla with adjoining shafts the gas began filling the en-tire mine within a few hours and the shafts were sealed by placing heavy timbers across the shaft ten feet below surface and tamping dirt in the crevices, the mass being given a top dressing of wet clay. Soon afterward gas begun pouring from innumerable crevices adjoining the burning shaft which was already on fire from the seventeenth down to the twenty-shird level, a distance of 600 feet, but each vent

was stopped with clay as soon as located. The South Hecla or Black Hills portion of the mine being unconnected with the Calumet and Heela branches is unaffected and working as usual, but all work under-ground is suspended in the two branches first named, including the famous Red Jacket vertical shaft which required ten years to construct at a cost of several million dollars and was begun in 1889 im-mediately after the last big fire was put out, for the special purpose of opening the lode at another point in such manner that work there could be carried on even though other portions of the mine were on

It was deemed expedient, however, several years ago to connect the deep Red Jacket vertical with the older workings in order to secure adequate ventilation, the rock temperature at the buttom of the shaft, only 380 feet less than a full mile shart, only 380 feet less than a full mile below surface, being 87 6-10 degrees Fah-renheit. This heat, in connection with the accidulated water, rendered work in the lower levels of the deep shaft so difficult and painful that a voluntary bonus of one-third was paid the miners who sunk the last 600 feet in depth.

This is the fourth big fire in the Calumet and Hecla, the preceding fires raving oc-curred in 1884, 1887, and 1888. Like the three fires preceding, it was discovered on Sunday evening, shortly after a timber gang had left the mine. The company has watchmen patrolling the entire mine, and

on Sunday evening would give the best chance of the fire gaining strong headway before discovery, and it has been at this particular hour of the day and day of the week that all four fires have broken out. It is also rather remarkable that all of these four fires have occurred at a critical these four fires have occurred at a critical period in the copper market, when prices were falling, and the crippling of the world's richest producer of copper would necessarily accrue to the advantage. It is also rather remarkable that all of these four fires have occurred at a critical necessarily accrue to the advantage of

every other copper mine.

It is impossible to predict how long the fire will last or the damage it will do. It takes but a small fire in a shaft to either the light of the history of the past three experiences it seems probable the present fire will last several weeks, if not longer. It may become necessary to drown our the flames with carbonic acid gas, as was done twelve years ago, when all the gas generated from a monster lime kiln was gathered in 500 horse power boilers and forced under ground through a four-inch pipe under heavy pressure, the boilers serving exactly the same purpose as the serving exactly the same purpose as the steel tanks, containing the same gas, from

which soda fountains are charged.

The extent of damage done can only be guessed at none of the officers of the company can do more than guess until the fire is out, the shafts unscaled, and care-ful examination made. The conglomerate reef on which the mine is opened required extra heavy timbering and the shafts are easily injured by the coming together of the foot and hanging walls through any weakening of the supporting timber which is not promptly detected and remedied. The mine is still producing from the South Hecla and could get out perhaps 1,500 tons of rock daily from the shafts opened on the Oscola amygdaloid within a few days after stoppings were begun, so that the property will not cease being a producer, no matter how long the fire may last, al-though production will necessarily be largely curtailed until the main portions of

the mine can be worked again, The company has large stores of surplus mineral, which is the crude c pper with adhering gangue of worthless 100% as it comes from the stamps, to keep its smel-ters running at South Lake, Linden, and Black Rock, Buffalo, so that all contracts for deliveries can be met prompt y for many months to come, even should the fire rage much longer than seems probable. The Calumet and Hecla has about fifty-two hundred employes in all departments, and a fire of long continuation would prove a very serious matter to the labor, though as in former fires, the policy of the com pany will be undoubtedly to keep their men, even if jobs have to be made out of the whole cloth, to give them at least pa -

The effect of several weeks of fire will undoubtedly be disastrous on the stock. Calumet and licela shares shrunk \$5,000,000 in value on Monday and Tuesday of this week, and a few weeks' continuance of the trouble would undoubtedly force the shares to \$600 or even lower, as against an average price of \$750 maintained for a year past. The dividend announced on Tuesday last was but \$10 per share, or an even million against the quarterly disbursement of \$20 which shareholders have grown to be to Washington. It has its board walk, expect within the past two years. Pre-life groupal its dancing pavilion, its eding fires have caused similar cutting in half of the regular quarterly dividend, and in at least one case, the passing of the dividend entirely.

tial employment.

Fell While Leaving a Car.

While slighting from a car of the Metropolitan Railway Company, at the corner of Twelfth and F Streets northwest, last night about 11 o'clock, Mrs. Gregory, residing at 3923 Eighteenth Street northwest, was thrown violently to the ground and painfully injured. Col. C. G. Bradshaw and Judge Shaver, also occupants of the car. rendered assistance, placing the woman on the sidewalk until a carriage could be summoned. Her injuries are not regarded as

EXPORTS TO THE ISLANDS

of Hibernians held its annual meeting A Large Increase Reported by the here this afternoon. P. J. Riley, of Portsmouth, was chosen President; John Rod-· Bureau of Statistics. gers, of Newport News, Vice President; J. J. Creamer, of Richmond, Secretary;

> Facts and Figures Concerning the Trade of the United States With Cuba, Porto Rico, Hawaii, the Philippines, and Samon-More Than Three Times as Large as in 1896.

council adjourned to hold its next annual The Treasury Bureau of Statistics has just issued a statement regarding exports John H. Knight, a resident of Washingfrom the United States to Cuba. Porto Rico. ton, died here at noon today at the resi-Hawaii, the Philippines, and the Samoan dence of his mother, Mrs. Ferdinand Islands. It says in part: Knight. The deceased leaves a wife and "Exports from the United States to Cuba,

several children, residents of Washington. Porto Rico, and the Hawalian, Philippine, He was the eldest brother of Robert E. and Samoan Islands will reach \$45,000,000 in the fiscal year which ends with the pres-Bernard Cline, who was long a guard at ent month, and will be more than three the Alexandria jail, has been reinstated by times as much as in 1896, and more than twice as much as in any year of our com-There are now two Baptist Churches schools in Charlottesville, Va., and a strong effort is being made to secure the removal of one of them, a female school, to this city. It is said that ample support for such an institution could be obtained. merce with those islands except in the years 1892, 1893, and 1894, when reciprocity greatly increased our exports to

"To Cuba the total for the fiscal year tained in Alexandria and neighborhood. Some suggestion has been made looking to the occupancy of the old residence at seems likely to be fully \$25,060,000, against \$7,530,000 in the fiscal year 1896, and \$24,the southwest corner of Duke and Royal Streets, for this purpose. Rev. Dr. Edward Kingsford, a Baptist clergyman, carried on a school at this building for many years. 157,000 in the great reciprocity year 1893, when exports to that island were more than double those of five years earlier. To Porto Rico, the exports of the year will be in round terms \$2,600,000, against an av-erage of \$2,750,000 in the reciprocity years Rev. Father J. P. O'Reilly, of Richmond, made a flying visit to Alexandria today and was warmly received by those who 1892, 1893, and 1894, when exports to that island were double those of earlier years. To the Hawailan Islands the total for the year will be about \$15,000,000, or five time-The hearing of the mandamus case of former Policeman Frank C. Spinks against as much as in 1893, nearly four times as nuch as in 1896, and more than double the

to reinstate him on the police force, will be heard tomorrow morning before Judge Norton. Charles Bendheim will appear for total for 1898.
"To the Philippines the total for 1990 will Spinks, and Col. Francis L. Smith be about \$2,500,000, or more than in the entire fifteen years since 1885, the date at which the first record of our exports to the Philippines was made by the Treasury Bu-reau of Statistics. To the Samoan Islands the exports of the year will be about \$125 .-Remarkable Discovery by Connecti-

of the exports of the year will be about \$120,000, or nearly as much as in all the years
since 1896, at which date the official reords of our exports to those islands began.
"On the import side, Cuba begins to show
something of her old-time strength as an
exporting island, as the total imports into
the United States from Cuba for the full
year will show a tatal of \$21,000,000. NEW HAVEN June 3 .- State Dairy Commissioner Noble and Deputy Eaton yesterday made the most remarkable discovery in the history of the Dairy Commission In Connecticut, Stowed away in caskets, year will show a tatal of \$31,000,000, coffins, and casket cases in an undertaker's cellar in Waterbury they found 3,500 the average for the reciprocity years 1892 The dairy commissioners had known for island averaged over \$75,000,000 per annum. over a year that oleo was being sold in From Porto Rico the imports of the year waterbury. They had searched certain will be \$1,350,000, which is less than the 1893, and 1894, when our imports from that Waterbury. They had searched certain grocery stores again and again and had never been able to find a pound of it. Yesterday the dairy commissioners went to the Boston Butter Store, on Main Street, in Waterbury and searched the cellar for allow. The commissioners had seen the control of the commissioners and searched the cellar for will be \$1,350,000, which is less than the total for any preceding year since 1880, and is presumably due to the destruction by last year's tornado of the crops which supply Porto Rico's chief articles of export. From the Hawaiian Islands the imports for the full fiscal year will be \$21,000,000, or double the average annual importation for the period prior to 1886, and 20 per cent higher than in any preceding year, while from the Phillippines, despite the war, conditions which reduce producing and export-cast of mind turned out to show that great oleo. The commissioners had received re-liable information that George Farley, the proprietor of the store, was selling oleo regularly. The commissioners failed to find a pound of oleo on the premises and finally decided to search every cellar in ditions which reduce producing and exporting power, the imports will be larger than in any year since 1894."

the block. In the cellar of the undertaking estab-lishment of H. Bergen & Sons were found sixty tubs, each containing sixty pounds of oleomargarine. Mr. Bergen's son and ALLEGED EFFORT AT SUICIDE. Police Prevent Henry Smith From Hanging Himself.

or oleomargarine. Mr. Bergen's son and Mr. Farley, the keeper of the grocery store, were both sent for. Neither one could be found. The elder Bergen declared that he did not know how the oleomargarine came to be in his caskets. Both Farley and the Bergens will be prosecuted for keeping and selling oleomargarine.

a beam and was about to hang himself of George E, when the police arrived.

When Smith left the house to the state of George E, when the graduating roll was read.

who are usually in close touch with its are fairs say that they had not the least inking that such action was likely to take place. There was a rumor today that the remaining departments of the plant will close down as soon as orders now in hand are filled, probably on next Sunday morning. This will throw 3,500 more men cut of work is the such filled. Fourth precinct station. The ise-vant met Policemen Cernwell and Sullivan, and with them returned to the stable.

fused. Finally the policemen forc d the door and took charge of Smith. A rope dangled from the roof to within a few fect of the floor. A board had been so arranged that the fatal drop could be successfully taken and Smith had removed some of his clothing. He refused to reply to questions of his wife or the police, and appeared in an excited state of mind. A patrol wagon was called and Smith was sent to the Emergency Hospital. The physicians found him to be suffering from nervous excitement and gave him treat-During the evening his condition

A WISCONSIN PAPER TRUST. Twenty-five Mills Unite to Fight fo Western Market.

APPLETON, Wis., June 3.-The General Paper Company of Wisconsin, which was incorporated at Milwaukee last week with a capital stock of \$100,000, held a meeting here on Saturday at which was represented every mill in Wisconsin now manufacturing print and manila papers. An organization was perfected by the election of the following officers: President, J. A. Kim-berly, Pirat Vice President, N. H. Bro-kaw; Second Vice President, George A. Whiting; Secretary and Treasurer, L. M.

The company represents about twentyor so-called trust, for possession of the

Alexander.

Mrs.T.W. Lee Mont-gon ery. Ala., writes: "Several years ago I was inoculated with poison by a diseased nurse, who infected my haby, and for six long years I suffered

my haby, and for six long years I suffered untold miserv. My body was covered with sores and ulcers. Sev-eral physicians treated me, but all to no pur-pose. The mercury and potash they gave me seemed to add fuel to the awful flame which

was devouring me. Friends advised me to try S. S. S. I begantak-

ATTENTION,

I have been notified by the American Woolen Mills that I must receive, at ONCE, all of the summer goods contracted for by me, in order that they may have the necessary room in which to begin the manufacture of fall and winter fabrics. In order to this emergency, I shall inaugurate TODAY

Times Readers!

The Greatest Sale of Made-to-Measure Suits Ever Known in Washington!

For Russian Blue Serge and Worsted Black Cheviot, Fit Guaranteed.

This Russian Blue Serge is made expressly for me, and bears my private stamp on every two yards. If any suit, made from either material, should fade within one year-money will be refunded. This special emergency sale is positively limited to this week only. It's a chance to get \$15 Suits for \$8.10. Will you MISS it?

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SCHOLARSHIP AND SOLDIERS.

Many Noted Fighters Were Deficien in Their Studies.

(From the Chicago Times-Herald.) cast of mind turned out to show that great foldiers in their boyhood days were not necessarily the best students. The table shows that Grant stood number 21 in a class of thirty-nine members; that Sher-man was by no means a star, and that Sheridan, Thomas, Schofield, and some others of note had either a hard time to Hanging Himself.

Henry Smith, thirty-five years of age, as the result of an alleged domestic quarrel, attempted suicide yesterday afternoon in a stable in the rear of his home, 315 F Street southwest. It is said he had made every preparation for hanging himself when he was discovered by his wife and prompt action by the police thwarted his purpose.

Smith has lived in Southwest Washington more than five years. He has three children and keeps a small grocery store on the first floor of his home. About 3 o'clock he left the house and went into the stable, where he tied a heavy rope to a beam and was about to hang himself of George E. when the graduating roil was

despate and gives an accurate list of the academy's graduates, and the search for Whistler's name will be vain. As a matter of fact, Whistler, who certainly has shown bril-liancy of mind during his career, was found deficient at West Point, both in discipline and in studies, and was somediscipline and in studies, and was some-what ignominiously discharged before he had completed his course. Whistler's first work of art was produced when he was a cadet. It was declared to be "a curlosity, but in no sense creditable." This wasn't the only snub that Whistler received while he was trying to get through the academy course without much toiling or spinning. When the "year-lings" receive their first lessons in drawing, topographical work mostly, they are shown how to make grass. Grass is nothwarranted his return home, and he left the ing but some wavy left to right lines. With the other yearlings the future Royal Academician made grass. The grass roused the wrath of the drawing in-structor, who told Whistler that a man who rouldn't do better than that would fail and with him the three dogs joined in to draw a straight line with a ruler or the chase. circle with a pair of compasses.

It is doubtless well known to everybody that Edgar Allan Poe was one of the ca-dets who failed to graduate. It is per-haps, however, not generally known that when Poe was court-martialed and dis-missed from Uncle Sam's school the ca-dets "chipped in" to enable him to get out a new edition of a book of poems which he had published just before entering the Government school. For this literary pro-duction Poe received the same sort of praise that fell to Whistler's lot for his grass. The few critics who would notice it damned it, and Poe was told that he had as much chance of becoming a poet five mills. They admitted, but not openly, the avowed purpose of the company is also to fight the International Paper Company, was none at all.

Maj. Gen. George A. Custer, whose rec-Western market, on which the Eastern ord of rapid promotions for gallantry on And the surrounding neighborhood, as fat trust has been vigorously encroseding of the battlefield reads the a romance, had so three blocks, owned his undisbuted troubles of his own when he was a cadet. sway.

Custer entered the academy at the lowest age limit—seventeen years. When he was a major general commanding a division. One may search history, and even fection, and have the hardest kind of a time to find a parallel case. One beauty of the matter is that no one has yet been found to deny that Custer won every step on the road of his preferments. Yet this man, who was Sheridan's right arm in the campaigns of 1844-65, came near being lost to the service of his country through inability to master thoroughly one of the branches at Uncle Sam's school. It was told at the academy that when Custer graduated it was found that one of the members of the academic board had declined to sign his "sheepskin." When, four years later, Custer paid a visit to the school with the stars of a major general in the field on his shoulder knots the professor whose signature to the sheepskin was lacking offered to affix his name thereto. There ensued a moment or two of silence, broken only by a few picturesque expressions from the mouth of a yellow-haired soldier who had just seen some four years of strife. Custer's sheepskin remains unsigned by one West Point professor to this day. Custer entered the academy at the lowest

FELINE STRATEGY.

Sapoleonic Ideas Developed by a

(From the Grand Rapids Herald). It was not his size or his beauty which made him remarkable, though his possession of these attributes of feline superior-ity easily made him prominent among the planation was given with the order.

No previous intimation of the action was made by the company and many of those who are usually in close touch with its affairs say that they had not the least inkling that such action was likely to take

When Smith left the house he was followed by his wife. To repeated cals he cars of the neighborhood, with whom he waged unrelenting warfare, but the fact is that he possessed a controlling mind and a strategic ability that would have ment is made that James A. McN. Whistler received his education at West Police.

No previous intimation of the action was included and closed and locked the stable door. Mrs. Smith teams at the police and the police are controlling mind and a strategic ability that would have ment is made that James A. McN. Whistler received his education at West Police. ticular domain, and went forth to battle attended by a bodyguard whose appear-ance inspired respect and assisted him in

An English mastiff, a bird dog, and a small cocker spaniel shared his meals, and later enabled him to gain victories over his hated rival, the grey cat across the street.

The cat had had many a contest with The cat had had many a contest with that grey cat, but the combat always resulted in a draw, because of the guerrilla tactics of his wary opponent, who preferred a short fight and a rapid dash to safety to a prolonged conflict, where the superior weight and fighting ability of the cat with the controlling mind would have a decided advantage. One day in a fatal hour the grey cat

invaded the precincts of the feline Bis-marck when the allies of the latter were at hand. When he struck a sudden blow and ran a smile of joy parted the whis-

Because of their superior nur dogs easily caught and brought to bay the grey cat and then formed a ring about him while the avenger entered the arena and began the battle.

Continually driven back into the ring by the three dogs, the grey cat was unable to pursue his favorite tactics, and the result, after one of the prettiest "cat scraps" that that ward had ever seen, was complete victory for the cat with the diplomatic inclinations.

Only when the grey cat, by a flying least over the heads of the dogs, escaped, did he let up in the work of righteous retribution. Then, in the consciousness of victory, the conqueror returned, accompanied by his ablies, to his past of milk and beeksteak. lord of his own domain.

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its carousal, its dancing pavilion, its scenic railway, its fine bathing-in fact it is a second Atlantic City. But what will commend it most to Washingtonians is that perfect order prevails at all times. The management has established a police department of its own, uniformed exactly the weather yesterday was not any to: warm, yet it was delightful on the board walk, and not a few took advantage of the bathing facilities. The carousal did a land office business, and old and young alike enjoyed this entertaining amuse-ment. The scenic railway and the large dancing pavilion are both nearly finished and will be ready for business in a few days. The large dining room and cafe of the Casino are now open, and everything

to be had in any first-class hotel is served at moderate prices. The accommodation to and from the beach are excellent, there being no bitch of any kind to interfere